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Subject: FW: Two Updates - Civil Protest at Woodstock Road and Emerson
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Update –

On January 29, 2022, as of 1300 AT, more personal motor vehicles (PMV) have arrived, fewer than five, with flags, and are blocking one of the southbound lanes leading to US. One lane remains open for commercial motor vehicles (CMV). Currently there are no commercial vehicles present as part of the convoy. A CMV Liaison Officer has spoken with protesters who informed them that they would be moving their vehicles so that D.O.T. plows/vehicles are able to clear the continuing snowfall as needed. The Liaison Officer advised that the protestors have indicated that US citizens would be walking up to the border to greet the Canadian protestors shortly. The protest is very peaceful with no activity to report.

Synopsis –

On January 29, as of 1200 AT, the first five vehicles have arrived at the [Woodstock Road](#) port of entry (POE). The vehicles are displaying “Freedom” placards and New Brunswick and Canadian Flags. Ten vehicles with twenty passengers are reported to have left a truck stop en-route to the POE. No commercial vehicles have arrived as part of the protest convoy at this hour. Currently, personnel from Federal Serious Organized Crime (FSOC) and, Criminal Intelligence Services (CIS) are onsite for photographing incidents/parameters which might occur. One media vehicle has been observed on the Canadian side parked southbound taking photos.

Update 1 –

Traffic has been congested in both northbound and southbound lanes at times. It has been reported that the loop is currently stretched out to Highway 421. There have been interruptions at times, slow rolls with intermittent stops. Traffic is flowing into Canada, then is slowed by the convoy immediately north of CBSA property. United States Customs and Border Protection (USCBP) reports that the convoy is interrupting the flow of southbound traffic to the US. As the convoy approaches the port, US bound vehicles have uninterrupted access to USCBP. RCMP are present north of the CBSA area and have been observed patrolling throughout.

Synopsis –

On January 29, as of 0702 ET, a truck convoy has assembled north of the [Emerson](#) Port of Entry (POE). Approximately 100 commercial vehicles are participating. Also involved in the convoy is a mix of other vehicles consisting of pick-up trucks, cars and agriculture tractors. The vehicles were lined up on the shoulder of Highway 75 facing south. They were using the turn around lane located just before the POE to loop and go northbound. Vehicles that are released from the Primary Inspection Line (PIL) are able to proceed north as the convoy is letting vehicles in. All four lanes of Highway 75 (north and southbound) appear to be occupied. So far there has been no impact to the operation.

Sincerely,

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